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RESPONSE TO ELECTION REQUIREMENT AND
FOURTH PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

This paper is being filed in response to the Office action mailed April 23, 2002 notifying applicants that the presently pending claims in the application are subject to a restriction requirement.

IN THE CLAIMS

The entire set of presently pending claims has been reproduced below for the convenience of the Examiner. Amended, new, and cancelled claims are indicated as such in the parenthetical following the claim number. Further, enclosed herewith is a separate paper entitled "Version With Markings To Show Changes Made" which corresponds to the amendments to the claims made herein.

- ✓ Please cancel claims 31-34; 39-41;
Please amend claims 35-38, 42-50.
Please add new claims 51-58.

35. (Amended) A method of fabricating a first inverter comprising:
providing a semiconductor of a first type conductivity;

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